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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

INVENTOR(S) : Robert C. STEVENS

TITLE : **REINFORCED CATHETER DEVICE,
CATHETER STOCK, AND
METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR
MAKING SAME**

APPLICATION NO. : 10/075,053

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CONFIRMATION NO. : 8092

EXAMINER : Kevin C. Simons

ART UNIT : 3763

LAST OFFICE ACTION : December 3, 2004

ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. : RSTZ 2 00011-3

**NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER TO THE
BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES**

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board from a decision of the primary Examiner mailed **December 3, 2004** finally rejecting claims 1-22 and 24-28. This was an Office error as claims 1, 3-11, 24, 26-28, and 41-51 were pending. An After Final Amendment and Response to Examiner's Action is being filed herewith.

The items checked below are appropriate:

1. **STATUS OF APPLICANT**

☐ This application is on behalf of other than a small entity.

2. **FEE FOR FILING NOTICE OF APPEAL**

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.17(b) the fee for filing the Notice of Appeal is:

☒ a small entity \$250.00

3. **EXTENSION OF TERM**

☒ Applicant hereby petitions the Commissioner under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for a two-month extension of time up to and including May 3, 2005 in which to file the

accompanying Notice of Appeal. The check in the amount of \$225.00 for the extension fee is enclosed herewith. Applicant requests any additional extensions of time that may be necessary and authorize the extension of time fees or any deficiency in fees herewith to be charged to Deposit Account No. 06-0308.

4. **TOTAL FEES DUE**

The total fee due is:

Notice of Appeal Fee: \$250.00

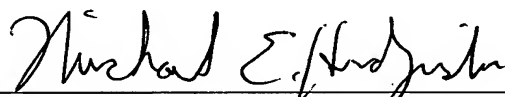
Extension of Time Fee: \$225.00

5. **FEE PAYMENT**

Attached is a check in the amount of \$250.00 for the Notice of Appeal and a check in the amount of \$225.00 for the extension of time fee. If any additional fees are required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 06-0308.

Respectfully submitted,

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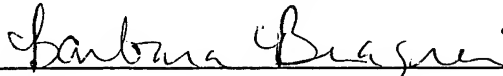
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